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From Our Readers

Dear Mrs. Thurston,

The article concerning Asbury Grove with its pictures appearing in the April ZIONS HERALD was extremely interesting to me as it brought many memories, especially of my childhood.

Trinity Church, Charlestown (now given up), which was the church home of my mother's family from her grandmother down to me, maintained a cottage and tent at the Grove and I heard many times about the many happy days my mother and grandmother spent there beginning in the seventies, I think.

When my mother (Carrie M. Small, later Dickey) was nineteen she was given an autographed album and I find in it a number of names written by Asbury Grove friends. I think you would be interested to know that among them, in very carefully-written "back-handed script," is the name Mary Lizzie Alden, Medford, Mass., Asbury Grove, Aug. 6, "79."

As the Charlestown cottage was on the same avenue Lizzie's child spent the summers, my folks knew her very well.

In my childhood I made several short stays at the Charlestown cottage which was finally given to a Swedish woman, Mrs. Berry, and spent a few days there in my early twenties. I last visited the Grove over forty years ago when I and some others hired a cottage in order to attend a school of Religious Education.

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On the Cover . . .

Methodist Cathedral. Interior of the Cathedral of New England Methodism, Trinity Methodist Church, Springfield, during the opening Memorial service at the New England Annual Conference.

(Photo by H. Robert Case)

Back Cover . . .

Miss Faith A. Chandler of Canaan, N. H., was the first woman admitted into full membership in the New Hampshire Conference in the 130-year history. Left to right: Bishop Lord, the Rev. Faith Chandler and the Rev. Lewis H. Moulton.

Inside Front Cover . . .

Bishop Lord administers communion to his four district superintendents at the New England Conference at Springfield. Left to right—Dr. Guy H. Wayne, Dr. Clarence F. Avey, Dr. Willard C. Arnold and Dr. Ira J. Roberts.

Editorial

"A Man Who Thinks for Himself"

Today millions of Americans spend hours before their television sets. The suspicion is taking shape in the minds of many smokers and non-smokers as well, that the cigaret-manufacturing colossus is on the defensive.

TV cigaret advertising has struck a note almost of hysteria. The commercials today chant frantically about filters, and recessed filters and they urge all and sundry to "think for themselves." Their evidence of panic is linked to guilt.

For all the time the death rate from lung cancer and other allied ills climbs steadily. Some doctors estimate that in another 25 years the adult male population will be decimated from lung cancer if it continues to increase unchecked.

Cancer deaths will climb from 243,000 in the year 1955 to 525,000 by the year 2,000 it is feared. This precipitous rise in the total cancer deaths is largely due to the increase in lung cancer. And the increase in lung cancer follows exactly the increase in the cigaret smoking rate.

But the cigaret companies are well aware that truth cannot be bottled up indefinitely and may win out in the long run even when opposed by addiction.

Based on surveys by the medical profession in this country and England within recent years, there is an overwhelming weight of solid medical evidence to indicate that the vast majority of lung cancer cases are caused by cigaret smoking.

There are, to be sure, cases of lung cancer of a different type, occasionally found among non-smokers. But the percentage is infinitesimal.

In cases of the cancer of the larynx, the cigar is considered the number one offender. But there are a host of closely allied diseases that are found in large percentages among cigaret smokers.

Most heart specialists curtail or eliminate all smoking by their patients. Circulatory ailments such as Burger's disease are directly traceable to cigaret smoking. Leg amputations have been prevented by the abrupt cessation of cigaret smoking where the disease had not progressed to the point of no return.

Many cigaret smokers have lungs that are in what is called the pre-cancerous state. These show remarkable improvement when the use of the cigaret is terminated.

These facts are beginning to reach the masses despite the fact that the daily press treats the tobacco industry with almost idolatrous deference. The same spirit of veneration emanates from many of our magazines. Without the millions received from the tobacco and liquor industries many of them could not publish at a profit. It remains then, for the small magazines who have not sold themselves for advertising to bring home to their readers the grim truth about a very sinister situation.

While we are alarmed about the very real dangers of fallout (very real if sizeably increased) the cigaret is killing off our middle-aged males by the thousands almost without comment.

Here is indeed a need for a thinking man, a thinking woman and a thinking population in order to halt our Public Enemy Number one.

In its small way ZIONS HERALD has attempted to print the truth about the cigaret. In the February issue a telling article by Dr. Richard Overholt had wide repercussions. The editor is still receiving orders which he cannot fill. The other day a clergyman wanted to buy 50 copies. The editor sent him five reducing his reserve to 20 copies.

Yes, the public has begun to ask for the truth. Let's give it to them. —W. C. C.

Women Drinkers

The Christian Science Monitor calls attention to the efforts of the liquor industry's stepped-up efforts to increase the number of women drinkers.

The editorial states: "Countering the liquor industry's intensified efforts to increase the number of women drinkers in America by employing women for selling and promotion, Miss Chloe Gifford, president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, has alerted the clubwomen to the menace . . . in these efforts.

"Referring to the degradation and distress which follow in the wake of drink and the problems of juvenile delinquency linked with it, she urged that no club program be opened to liquor industry propaganda designed to make drinking attractive.

"The General Federation president's clear stand is encouraging indication that clubwomen of the country, whether or not they themselves observe total abstinence from alcohol, feel growing concern for the grave problem it presents to the entire nation.

"And they may well feel concern in view of the boast made by Rocco Bunino, vice-president of Pabst and Blatz breweries, at the get-together of the national co-ordinating committee of the Liquor Beverage Industry held January 20 in Washington.

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Some Issues Facing the Future of Theological Education

by Walter G. Muelder

Dean of Boston University School of Theology

Theological education is in a period of transition. This means that it is in a process of change sensitive to the new tasks which confront the church. There is enrichment and exploration in such areas as religion and the arts and in church music. New master's degree programs in these fields at Boston University reflect the school's sensitivity to leadership needs in the life of the church.

Both these degree programs emphasize the creative power of religious meaning. They symbolize the breakthrough of ultimate concern in the art forms of contemporary culture. In one way or another men and women will find a way to express their ultimate response even in societies that are frantically committed to the provisional and the expedient. I can only pray that at Boston University we can develop an authentic affirmation of Christian experience in its most universal demand on the human spirit and can through art and music evoke the profoundest motivations for a redemptive and responsible society.

The future of theological education in the Methodist church is being partly determined by the profile of new and its relocated seminaries. Other schools of theology will find their roles somewhat modified by the new developments. Our responsibilities for leadership will adapt to the needs which become evident. Since Boston University School of Theology attracts men and women across the gravitational fields of scores of other seminaries, its student body and its program will be modified by the drawing power of these other schools.

Trend of Religious Education

In 1959 the Methodist church will see the opening of a new theological school in Kansas City. Another will open near Delaware, Ohio, in 1960. Meanwhile the Southern California School of Theology and Wesley Seminary have changed locations. The two former schools are not functionally related to major educational institutions. The two latter have possibilities for such developments as require the resources of universities committed to the centrality of religious values in the higher learning.

There are some questions which the next ten years will answer. Will the new schools stop the drift of Methodist enrollments into small, inadequate non-Methodist seminaries? Will the schools attract primarily local young people seeking convenient education while they supply marginal churches? To what an extent will the standards of these schools be affected by an endemic concentration on training and practical affairs?

Will they become service centers more than strong educational institutions? From these questions it becomes evident that both problems of standards and the profile of the curriculum will confront these schools in a critical way. These questions can only in part be answered by the seminaries themselves. Part of the answer will be supplied by the administration of the Methodist Church in the areas involved.

These new schools symbolize a problem to which the American Association of Theological Schools is giving general attention today. There is a recognized need for more students to spend more days per week working at more fundamental issues in an intensive community of study, fellowship, and worship. This means a fuller and more coherent understanding and commitment to the Christian cause on the part of both the husband and the wife. Early marriages of pre-theologues who have not selected mates suitable for the parsonage is now a serious problem. There are too many casualties. Somehow a way must be found for young people together to face fully and realistically what it means for the husband to enter the ordained ministry of the church. After the couple have arrived at seminary a better and more inclusive experience within the theological community must be found. My concern, however, is not only for the married students but for a deeper experience for all.

Grasping the Fundamentals

Since the New England Annual Conference last met the School of Theology has served as host to the A.A.T.S. and three other professional associations related to theological education. We invited leaders from engineering, medicine, and law to address us on the dilemmas of professional education. In all these fields the speakers noted that there is no use trying to train professionals by cramming their heads full of information on practical details of "know how" and scientific fact. No one can today master the field of knowledge in any of these disciplines.

There is need, therefore, that students grasp the fundamentals of their disciplines, develop motives for life-long study, master the methods of their professions,

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New England Conference Gains

Figures Show Upward Trend in Membership

by the Rev. Elmo F. Young

The 163rd session of the New England Annual Conference of The Methodist Church was held in the cathedral church of New England Methodism—the Trinity Church of Springfield, Massachusetts—from Tuesday, May 12, through Sunday, May 17. The Reverend H. Hughes Wagner, D. D., was the host pastor.

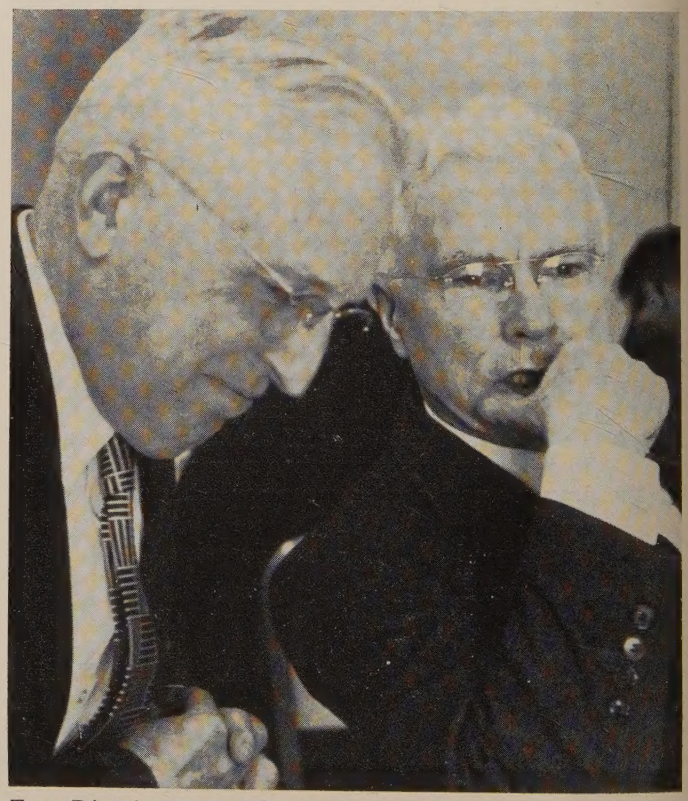
From the moment the session opened with the beautiful Memorial-Communion Service until its completion on Sunday afternoon with the reading of the appointments, there was a wonderful spirit felt among the delegates and visitors engendered, to a great extent, by the very atmosphere of the sanctuary itself.

Whereas in recent years there has often been somewhat of a feeling of discouragement and disappointment due to the year by year decrease in membership throughout the conference, this year the tide seemed to have changed, and for the first time in several years the evangelistic report of the churches was more encouraging. The membership increase reported was not large, but it was significant enough to indicate a new trend.

The Commission on Promotion and Cultivation was likewise able to give an optimistic report on the emphasis of stewardship throughout the conference area. Here again, the results in actual figures may not have been very great. But the results of the work of the new conference director of stewardship, Robert Brown, and of the fund-raising consultant, Mr. J. Resler Shultz, indicated that the churches are gradually gaining a new appreciation and understanding of what Christian stewardship really means. The Commission members assured the conference that within another year real substantial gains will, in all probability, be shown.

In view of the steady support of the pension plans in the apportionments, in Veterans' Day offerings, in church budgets, in gifts and bequests from many individuals, in faithful payments by members of the contributing plan, and in the earnings of the Preachers' Aid Society, the pension rate was raised from $52 to $57 for the year 1959-1960. This was another very encouraging aspect of the conference session.

Registering the delegates—In this picture Miss Edith Jordan, of Carter Memorial Church, Needham Heights, is getting her papers in order.
(Photo by H. Robert Case)



Two District Superintendents talk things over. Dr. Guy H. Wayne, Boston district superintendent, and Dr. Ira J. Roberts, Worcester district superintendent talk things over during a lull.
(Photo by H. Robert Case)

rs. Deborah Anderson of Medford, former WSCS head, tended the conference despite a broken ankle which e sustained in a recent accident.

Dr. Emory Stevens Bucke, Book Editor of the Methodist Church and former editor of ZIONS HERALD, *speaks to his old friends at the New England Conference.*

Getting dinner for the delegates is no easy chore. These ood Methodist women are hard at work preparing lunch- on for the delegates at Trinity Methodist Church, Springfield. (Photo by H. Robert Case)

Robert Hartl, MYF president and son of Dr. and Mrs. Emil M. Hartl, is congratulated by Bishop Lord at the New England Conference.

Dr. Wagner Honored

Honor was bestowed on Dr. H. Hughes Wagner on the opening day of the conference, when, on the first ministerial ballot for delegates to General Conference, he won election to head the delegation. The next day two more delegates were elected—Dr. Harold C. Case, president of Boston University, and Dr. Lemuel K. Lord, pastor of the church in Melrose. The lay delegates elected were Mrs. Charles C. McPherson of Southampton, Edward C. Drake of Malden, and Warner C. Danforth of Woburn.

The ministerial delegates named to attend the Northeastern Jurisdictional Conference in June 1960 were: the Reverends Guy H. Wayne, Wilbur C. Zeigler, Clarence F. Avey, Walter G. Muelder, and Emerson W. Smith. The Reverends Ernest R. Case, Ira J. Roberts, and Willard C. Arnold were elected alternate delegates to the jurisdictional meeting.

The lay delegates to the Jurisdictional Conference are: Mrs. Emil M. Hartl, Boston; Mrs. Hiram Gibbs, Worcester; Leon H. Treadwell, Shrewsbury; Mason Hartman, Brookline; and Robert W. Brown of Lynn.

The report which engendered the greatest controversy throughout the conference session was that of the Committee on World Peace. The resolutions having to do with a presidential visit to Russia, outer space control, nuclear control, and conscription all aroused considerable debate. The action which received nationwide attention, however, was when the conference reversed its 1958 stand and opposed the entry of Red China into the United Nations. The conference members voted 108 to 97 against the Red China entry after the committee on World Peace had submitted a resolution favoring it.

One of the most outstanding occasions of the entire conference was experienced on Friday evening when the Rev. and Mrs. O. Lorimer Sargeant of Chicopee, together with a cast and choirs of nearly 100 men and women from Springfield and vicinity, presented the inspiring drama of "Job" as adapted from the Hebrew by Horace Meyer Kallen.

Changes in Appointments

Boston District—Dorchester, Stanton Avenue, William E. Ramsden, of Kenmore, N. Y., a member of the Genesee Conference, a student in the Graduate School of Boston University; succeeds Leroy A. Lyon, who retired. Roslindale, Bethany, R. H. Bolton from Central New York Conference, who will be doing some studying in addition to his pastoral duties. Bethany Church had been supplied for the past year by Francis D. Taylor of Needham Heights, a retired member of the New England Conference. Frank A. Danforth, a Boston University School of Theology student, who was received on trial in the Conference on Saturday, will serve the Church of Our Saviour and the United (Barham Memorial) Church, South Boston. Successor to Dr. D. Joseph Imler, pastor at the Belmont Methodist Church for the last thirty-eight years, is Ernest R. Case from Immanuel Church, Waltham. At East Natick, Edgar F. Redfern from the White Church, Chicopee Falls, follows Paul N. Whitteberry. Reginald K. Smart from St. James Church, Springfield, is Wilbur C. Ziegler's new associate at Parkway Church, Milton. C. Malcolm Keir from First Church, Fitchburg, is the new pastor at Immanuel, Waltham.

Lynn District—The district superintendent, Willard C. Arnold, has a new address—115 Lowell Street, Reading. Forrest G. Clark, who has served Riverdale Church, Gloucester, for the past year,will now also serve Bay View Church, Gloucester. Robert M. Durkee, just returned from chaplaincy duty with the U. S. Air Force, is assigned to Maple Street Church, Lynn, following J. T. Copplestone, whose name now appears among the Special Appointments. The Faulkner Church, Malden, is temporarily left to be supplied. D. R. Moore, a graduate student at Boston University School of Theology, succeeds Edison M. Ames at Maplewood, Malden. Holmes Ambrose is to supply the Church of the Redeemer, Swampscott, as successor to Samuel D. Sellers, who is left without appointment pending transfer back to Missouri Conference.

Springfield District—Two of the federated churches on the district, Chester and Hampden, are without pastors at the present time. J. Russell Hite, who has been serving the churches at South Boston, succeeds Edgar F. Redfern at the White Church in Chicopee Falls. Mr. Hite was transferred into the Conference from North Iowa, admitted into full connection, and elected to elder's orders at this Conference session. Paul N. Whitteberry from East Natick is the new pastor at First Methodist Church, Holyoke, succeeding Daniel A. Thurston, Conference secretary, who becomes associate pastor of Trinity Church, Springfield.

Lloyd E. Chorpenning, from Ohio, an S.T.M. candidate at Boston University School of Theology and a member of the class admitted on trial in the New England Conference on Saturday, is assigned to Liberty Church, Springfield. Another member of the class admitted on trial, Marvin D. Evers, from Nebraska, who has been an assistant at Trinity Church, Springfield, succeeds Reginald K. Smart at St. James, Springfield. Luther B. Pennington, a Boston University School of Theology student who has had several years' experience as pastor, is assigned to the church at Ware.

Springfield District—Ralph H. R. Bulter, also a School of Theology student, continues as supply pastor at Barre. Andrew J. Good, Jr., from Virginia, another student in Boston University School of Theology, is the new pastor at Clinton. Cochituate is left to be supplied for the time being, the former pastor, George C. Cutekunst, being left without appointment pending transfer to New York East Conference. C. Malcolm Keir's successor at First Church, Fitchburg, is Ivan L. Nickerson from Liberty, Springfield. T. C. Thomason, a graduate student at Boston University School of Theology from the Oklahoma Conference who has been serving a church at Kingston, N. H., is the new pastor at Oakdale, succeeding Ralph T. Mires, who is transferred into the Conference from the Kentucky Conference and appointed to Epworth Church, Worcester, to follow Francis C. Wilson, now in the list of Special Appointments. Upton has a new pastor—S. W. Possell. Phillipston and Winchendon are temporarily left to be supplied.

Special Appointments—D. Joseph Imler follows Maurice L. Bullock, retired, as treasurer of the Board of Pensions and executive secretary of the Preachers' Aid Society. J. Tremayne Copplestone, after a four-year pastorate at Maple Street Church, Lynn, goes with the Board of Missions in New York as editor of the "History of Methodist Missions." Francis C. Wilson, after nine years at Epworth, Worcester, goes to Nashville, Tenn., to become Director of Interpretation, Division of the Local Church, General Board of Education.

Austrian Methodists Hopeful

Dr. Mayr, Supplying Ipswich Pulpit, Asks Financial Support

Those Methodists in the Boston Area who feel ghtly "surrounded" at times, should go to Austria, ere they are really outnumbered.

The Rev. Ferdinand Mayr of Vienna, who served as stor of the Ipswich, Mass., Methodist church during e months of May and June under the International Ex- ange Program of the World Methodist Council, has me interesting facts about this side of the religious cture.

In Austria, out of a population of 8,000,000 people ere are only 2,000 Methodists. Ninety-two percent of the population is Catholic and five percent is Protestant. The remaining three percent includes those of Jewish and other faiths.

Austrian minister and his wife pose in front of their adopted American parsonage at Ipswich, Mass. The Rev. and Mrs. Ferdinand Mayr of Vienna, Austria, spent May and June in Ipswich, while the Rev. Auburn J. Carr supplied his pulpit in Austria.

But Dr. Mayr, who is superintendent of the Methodist Church in Austria, is far from discouraged. As in many parts of Europe a large part of the population is Catholic in name only. These people seldom attend church and have no spiritual interest in it.

Many of the members of the Methodist churches are former Catholics as indeed he was himself until the age of 15. His family were solidly Catholic for four centuries.

Austria is a thoroughly democratic country with a chancellor, vice-chancellor and parliament. The Communistic influence is conspicuous by its absence. Out of 370 members the Austrian parliament boasts only one Communist. Under Austrian rule there must be at least three to have the right to vote, so Communists have no voting rights at all.

The country has made a good economic recovery since the occupation ended four years ago. The City of Vienna once more is a dazzling musical, cultural and medical center.

However, the Methodist church is up against it financially.

"We are a small church with financial problems," is the way Dr. Mayr sums up the situation. "We need financial help."

Outside of Vienna few churches have enough money to support a pastor.

"Our lay preachers are wonderful," Dr. Mayr said, "But we need some young clergymen to send out to the small churches. These young men are trained at Frankfort in Germany. But to keep one of them in the field for a year costs $1,000."

One or two of the American churches pay $1,000 to support a young clergyman in Austria. One of these is the First Methodist Church of Montgomery, Ala.

The Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief has established two homes for refugee Hungarian boys and girls in Austria at a cost of $120,000.

Dr. Mayr sees a tremendous opportunity for Methodism in Austria in the years ahead.

Mrs. Mayr was especially happy with the fact that the Ipswich church boasted a real steeple. In Vienna this is not so. The churches are without steeples.

The Rev. Auburn H. Carr of Ipswich occupied the Vienna pulpit of Dr. Mayr while he was in Ipswich.

Dr. Maurice Bullock Retires

Exceptional Ministry of More than Fifty Years Follows Adventurous Youth

Cornwall, in southwestern England, is known for its unique geography and rugged individuality. It is also known for its Methodism. John Wesley passed that way very often.

This explains in part the character of the Rev. Maurice L. Bullock, executive secretary of the Preachers' Aid Society, treasurer of the Board of Pensions and treasurer of the New England Conference for the past eight years.

Dr. Bullock retired at the recent session of the Conference after a ministry of over fifty years. He has a life story that reads like an epic out of the heroic past.

He was born in the ancient parish of St. Dennis, Oct. 17, 1886. He learned the builder's trade in his father's shop at an early age. He attended a Church of England elementary day school and also night schools. When he was sixteen he was named as a local preacher on the plan of the Methodist circuit and for some years took Sunday appointments in various chapels according to the English system still in vogue.

At the time there seemed little likelihood that he could go to institutions of higher education for advanced learning, or that he would enter the regular ministry. Indeed, there was so little opportunity for a young and energetic lad that he decided to go to America. On his way to a cousin in Nevada he stopped at Salt Lake City and started to work at his trade. His experience qualified him to be a foreman and at good wages. Soon he was on the way to becoming a building contractor.

In Boise, Idaho, he joined First Methodist Church and met the District Superintendent, the Rev. George W. Barnes, who persuaded the English youth to accept a three-point charge in the Snake River valley, preaching Sundays while he finished up his building contracts.

Then he began a year as a circuit rider on horseback. During the year he managed to get a church built. He also gathered the people to organize a new society in another place. He studied the Conference course and at the 1911 Idaho Conference was admitted on trial. Further education was now imperative.

His friends advised him to go to Willamette University, Salem, Oregon, and he followed their advice. He enrolled in the academy which served as a preparatory school for college. At the same time he was given another three-point charge in Polk County, and he preached two and three times each Sunday. In three years he earned enough credits to be a junior in college. Then he went to the University of Denver and also began work in the Iliff School of Theology. Five years after starting school he graduated from the University and the following year secured his A.M. degree. The next year he was awarded his B.D. degree from the seminary, a monumental accomplishment for a youth with so little formal preparatory education. After all that study he came to Boston and earned a S.T.M. degree from the School of Theology. He also did post-graduate work at Harvard under Professor Hocking.

Dr. Webster H. Powell, his district superintendent here, appointed him to Wellington, Mass. He transferred to the New England Conference and he was ordained both as Deacon and Elder by the late Bishop Francis J. McConnell.

In 1921 he was appointed to Trinity, West Medford, where he had a very successful pastorate of five years. There followed appointments to Boston Street, Lynn; Centenary, Auburndale; First, Dorchester, and St. Paul's, Lowell. He was at his last church for nearly ten years. For six years he served as the able superintendent of the Springfield District and for the last eight years in his present influential three-fold office.

Dr. Bullock's married life has been one of singular happiness. During his student days at Willamette he met Beulah Merle Clarke. They were married and went to Denver in 1914. They have two sons, Merlen Clarke, a textile engineer in Akron, Ohio, and Maurice Loren, a physicist of Lexington, Massachusetts. There are four grandchildren.

In his parishes he was known as a forceful preacher and a leader in community work. He is a 32nd degree Mason and has been chaplain of Kilwinning Lodge, Lowell, for 23 years. In Medford, Newton and Lynn he was a Kiwanian. In Springfield he was an officer in the Civitan Club. For 35 years he has been in the Boston Clerical Club and is a past-president.

In a recent interview he told of coming from the West to Boston in the winter of 1917-18 during World War I in times of "heatless Mondays" and many such

ings to conserve fuel and food. In the fall of 1918 came the terrible influenza epidemic when churches as well as schools were closed for weeks and thousands died. He called the Boston police strike after the Armistice which gave rise to the fame of Calvin Coolidge. He heard the famous debate in Symphony Hall with President Lowell of Harvard and Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, Sr., on the League of Nations. He told of the coming of Prohibition and its enormous benefits which were so derided by the liquor industry that the first casualty of the depression was in repeal which was a triumph of the underworld. The problem of liquor was not solved, only made worse.

At first Mr. Bullock was an assistant treasurer of the Conference. In those days pastors brought their appropriations to Conference where the Treasurer and his helpers had a large room where they tabulated the cash and vouchers. The session lasted till Monday when the treasurer gave his report after collecting almost to the last minute. In 1940 when Dr. Powell was elected Treasurer, the present office system was established with regular statements and payments made during the year. In his eight years as Conference Treasurer Dr. Bullock has channelled a total of $3,891,800.00 in the regular Conference causes.

However, his main duties have been as agent for the Preachers' Aid Society and Treasurer of the Board of Pensions. Here he has maintained a healthy growth. He recalled some interesting history of pensions. In 1904 the Society had an empty treasury because of poor management, so a drastic change was made in policy and appeal which brought incredible results. In two decades with Varnum Cooper, Joel Leonard and Charles W. Blackett as Agents the reserve funds reached half-million dollars. In the last 33 years under Dr. Powell, Dr. Heath and Dr. Bullock these funds have grown to four millions, a colossal achievement. A substantial part

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Dr. Maurice L. Bullock retires. This picture made shortly before his retirement shows the genial executive secretary of the Preachers' Aid Society and Mrs. Bullock in his old office at 581 Boylston Street.

New Hampshire Methodism Shows Advance for Year

New Hampshire Methodism has shown a gain during the past year, the Rev. Maurice H. Porter, statistician, reported at the annual conference held at the First Methodist Church in Laconia, N. H., April 19-May 3.

His figures revealed that the membership has increased 231 to 20,317. Church school membership showed a gain of 2,137 to 12,839. The average Sunday School attendance increased 249 to 6,571.

The Rev. Paul A. Stauffer, president of the Board of Education recommended a committee of three to study Camp Hedding and the Weirs in the light of using the sale of these properties towards the purchase of a proposed camp site for New Hampshire Methodist youth.

Miss Judith McCausland, executive secretary of the Board of Education, said in her report: "One cannot stress the fact strongly enough that if our children are to be educated in our churches then our teachers and the leaders of our churches need to be trained. Recognizing a need or a problem, wanting to do something about it, and then getting help or advice, are all necessary steps to a successful church school. How can we teach others unless we ourselves grow in likeness to the Master?"

Urges Need to Expand

The Rev. Vernon C. French, Jr., director of youth work, urged the need to "expand and improve our program for the training of both youth officers and adult leadership."

He added: "The rapid turnover of people in these areas of responsibility demands a continuous training program. Opportunities for training are available at the Senior High Summer Institute, the Fall Officers' Training School, and the Area Youth Workshop. The problem continues to be the fact that a great many local churches do not avail themselves of these training opportunities."

Bishop John Wesley Lord introduced Arthur Buffington of Lisbon, N. H., oldest man at the New Hampshire Conference held recently at Laconia, N. H. He is "over ninety."

A welcome into the Veterans of the Cross ranks. The Rev. Josiah Kirkwood Craig, who retired in 1950, is shown welcoming three newly-retired pastors into fellowship with the emeriti at the New Hampshire Conference. Left to right—the Rev. Herbert Almon Cooper, Pittsburg and Canaan, Vt.; the Rev. Karl Hans Thiem, Derry, N. H.; and the Rev. Leroy Walter Stringfellow, Littleton, N. H. and Mr. Craig. Mr. Craig died May 12, less than two weeks after this picture was taken.

New Hampshire delegates to the general and jurisdictional conferences. Left to right—the Rev. Paul A. Stauffer, Concord, N. H.; the Rev. Ray H. Cowen, Andover, N. H.; the Rev. Lewis H. Moulton, Laconia, N. H.; the Rev. J. Norman Barrett, Manchester, N. H.; Mrs. Stanley M. Sprague of Portsmouth, N. H.; and Philip A. Crane of Hampton, N. H. Absent when the picture was made were James A. Lytle, Littleton, N. H., and Ibrey O. Gilbert of Suncook, N. H.

On Board of Education panel at New Hampshire Conference. Rear—the Rev. Paul A. Stauffer, Concord, N. H.; Miss Judith R. McCausland, executive secretery, board of education; front, left to right— Mrs. A. P. Stout, Sunapee, N. H.; Marilyn Townsend, Lebanon, N. H., retiring MYF president; and Mrs. James F. Quimby, Bethlehem, N. H.

Balloting for delegates for the general conference resulted in the election of the Rev. J. Norman Barrett of Manchester, N. H., ministerial, and James A. Lytle of Littleton as the lay delegate.

Delegates elected to the Jurisdictional conference were: the Rev. Lewis H. Moulton, Laconia, N. H., ministerial, and Philip Crane, Hampton, N. H., lay delegate. Reserve delegates were: the Rev. Ray H. Cowen, Andover, N. H.; the Rev. Paul A. Stauffer, Concord, N. H.; and Mrs. Stanley M. Sprague of Portsmouth, N. H.

A highlight of the conference was the address by the Rev. Dr. Charles Ray Goff of Chicago at the inspirational service.

Miss Faith Adams Chandler of Concord, N. H., was the first woman ordained in the 130-year history of the conference. A former electronics engineer she was assigned to churches in Canaan and Canaan Street, N. H., in the Northern District.

Admitted to full relationship with the conference were: the Rev. Robert J. Penberthy of Milford, N. H.; the Rev. Paul R. Gagne of Hillsborough and Henniker, N. H.; and the Rev. Donald H. Gustafson who was appointed to Lebanon, N. H.

Admitted to the conference on trial were: Wesley Berman of North Haverhill; Ronald T. Sabine of Monroe and Chester C. Hustead of Conway and North Conway, N. H.

Retired from the active relationship with the conference were: the Rev. Herbert A. Cooper of Canaan, Vt.; the Rev. Leroy W. Stringfellow of Littleton, N. H., and the Rev. Karl H. Thiem of Derry, N. H.

Arthur W. Buffington, 90, of Lisbon, N. H., the oldest man at the conference was greeted by Bishop Lord. He has attended conferences for half a century.

New appointments were: the Rev. Quentin L. Hand, Bow Mills; the Rev. J. D. Robertson, Jr., Contoocook; the Rev. D. H. Gustafson, Lebanon, N. H.; the Rev. Ernest R. Drake, Littleton, N. H.; the Rev. D. E. Day, Weirs Beach and Lakeport, N. H.; the Rev. W. S. Holliday, Amesbury, Mass.; the Rev. R. A. Hayward, Derry, N. H., the Rev. D. H. McAninch, Lawrence, Mass.; and the Rev. S. J. Hallett, North Salem, N. H.

Plan New Church in Hamilton

Proposed Church at Hamilton—This sketch reveals some of the details of this beautiful structure as planned by the famous architect, Arland A. Dirlam, of Boston. The 40-foot nave faces the road. The roof rises from a low 13 feet at the walls to over 40 feet at the apex, creating a dramatic upward thrust to the structure and symbolizing man's act of worship. The reredos wall has a 38-foot cross beveled into the limestone both inside and outside. The Ten Commandments, indicated by the ten Roman numerals, flank the cross. They are divided into three and ten respectively, to recognize the fact that the first three commandments have to do with man's relationship to God. Behind the nave and to the right, a bell tower rises 60 feet into the air, and is topped by a 12-foot cross. Behind the nave and to the left is seen the parlor and library.

Break Ground for $250,000 Structure This Summer

The First Methodist Church of Hamilton hopes this summer to break ground for the first phase of a rambling contemporary structure which is expected to cost well over a quarter of a million dollars. The location for the new church is a large meadow on Route 1-A in Hamilton, adjacent to famed Myopia Hunt Club. The present structure is a small white frame building on a narrow side street which is zoned commercially and provides for one-way traffic only over a part of its total length.

The church began in 1896 as an undenominational society and Sunday School. Its connection with Methodism stems from the year 1920. The move into the Methodist framework was prompted by a desire to have more assurance of an adequate and continuous ministry. The late and beloved Richard Broeg was the first Methodist pastor to the little church. Through the years, the people improved the little frame church, adding a cement-floored basement, and pews in the sanctuary; but when the North Shore home-building boom began a decade ago, it was just a matter of time before the old building became inadequate. The issue of major property improvement was first raised during the pastorate of Richard Shanor, then a student at Boston University and now assistant pastor at a large Methodist Church in St. Petersburg, Florida.

Discussion on the issue of adding on or relocating continued during the pastorate of A. Eugene Thompson, also a student and now a Methodist minister in Virginia. During the pastorate of Charles Rehfus, another B. U. student, several important steps were taken. The decision was made to relocate, and in 1957 negotiations were completed for the present site, a spacious tract of over six acres.

Then, in December of 1957, a building fund campaign was conducted, using leadership from the Board of Missions and Church Extension, which resulted in a three-year pledge program totaling close to forty thousand dollars.

First Full-Time Pastor

In June, 1958, Robert B. Perry was appointed the church's first full-time pastor. In September, the Building Committee of the church secured the services of Arland A. Dirlam as architect. Dr. Dirlam, a nationally famous Boston architect who specializes in church design, is a familiar name to New England Methodism. After much intensive work throughout the winter months, the building committee and architect presented tentative plans to the church on March 8 of this year. The plans were enthusiastically approved, and working drawings are now "in the works." The choice of site and the tentative plans have the approval of the District Board of Church Location and Building. Barring unforeseen circumstances, chances look excellent for groundbreaking sometime this summer.

Town of Hamilton Growing

The town of Hamilton, though having at the present time only about one quarter of the population of its neighbor, the town of Danvers, is growing steadily. For several years, it has been at the top of the list for percentage growth in towns of its size in Massachusetts.

Fifty new members have been received into the membership of the church in the past year. The total membership is at present around three hundred forty. Two services each Sunday are necessary to accommodate one hundred seventy worshipers in a sanctuary which seats 118. Church school classes meet in the sanctuary, church office, and kitchen, as well as in the "Sunday School room," a basement area of very limited size. The need is great, and Methodists are responding to the challenge.

One unusual feature of the new structure is the front wall of the sanctuary, which faces the street. The center wall is of limestone, flanked by two walls faced with blue-gray slate panels. These walls jut out from the structure at an angle of some 25 degrees, and frame the limestone wall. This wall has a commanding cross beveled into it and faced with gold. The ten Roman numerals on either side of the Cross represent the Ten Commandments. They are divided into three and seven to symbolize the fact that the first three commandments have to do directly with man's relationship to God, and the other seven have to do more with man's relationship to man. The two jutting walls will also provide side-lighting.

The walls of the sanctuary are low. The roof arches up sharply from a height of thirteen feet to forty feet at the apex. The roof will be supported by hardwood laminated arches, which have become a familiar sight in more recently built churches. The sanctuary will seat 306, with a choir-seating capacity of thirty.

Also to be included in the first phase of the new construction are a chapel (seating forty), an administration wing, a parlor, a kitchenette, and a boiler room and the usual facilities. The later section will include the church school wing, kitchen, and fellowship hall. *End*

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" 'The liquor industry,' he said, 'is no longer on the defensive. It is ready not just to resist discriminatory legislation but to repeal the unfair laws already on the books; not just to fight additional tax levies but to work aggressively for reduction of present heavy excises; not just to defend wet territory from encroachment by the drys but to wrench lost sections from their grasp.'

"This challenge should be answered not only by clubwomen but by every individual interested in public welfare as opposed to the welfare only of the liquor industry. It is a challenge aimed at every home in America. Will it be met with an equally aggressive, well-organized program?" *End*

Educational Building Consecrated

Bishop Lord Preaches at Reading Educational Plant Opening

Sunday, April 26, was a great day for Reading Methodism. For on that afternoon Bishop John Wesley Lord consecrated the beautiful new educational building of Old South Church less than a year after groundbreaking.

It was a day of Thanksgiving and fulfillment for the district superintendent, the Rev. Willard C. Arnold and for the pastor, the Rev. John Snook, Jr., and for all the official board and the various committee members who have worked so hard to make the superb educational plant a fact.

Bishop Lord spoke on the importance of religious education to the whole nation, pointing out that Russia is staking their whole existence on their attempt to change the world in a single generation by moulding the minds of their youth.

Those who say that the churches in Russia are crowded are missing the important point that these crowds are old people and not the young. If Christianity could only believe this with the same fanaticism as Russia, then Christianity would have a world that is reborn.

Bishop Lord said that the victory of Fidel Castro in Cuba gives to the Methodist Church an "unparalleled opportunity."

"God's honor can find no dwelling place among an enslaved and exploited people. God's honor exists only where men are free. The Island of Cuba has long been a playground for pleasure-seeking and sex-hungry Americans. It has suffered exploitation of natural and human resources under the fear-ridden regime of Batista supported by powerful financial and economic interests.

"These have now been overthrown by the revolution and the Cuban people are jubilant about their newly won freedoms. It was the custom of the evangelical Christians to attend services in their churches at night but this was impossible during the seven years the people lived under the shadow of the Batista rule of violence. No one dared venture out after dark. Today services are being held at night and the people move without fear. People can once again talk and write freely without censorship of the press.

"The youth of Cuba were often picked up by the secret police and beaten if they were suspected of being in sympathy with the 26th of July movement begun by Castro in 1953 and continued to glorious completion after six long years of suffering and persecution. According to Bishop Short, who recently returned from Cuba, 'Almost to a man evangelican Christians are anti-Batista in their sympathies and many Roman Catholics feel the same way.'

"Castro has announced that he will appoint chaplains in the Cuban Army, a new departure. He has already named a committee of two Protestants and two Catholics to discuss the morals of the people. The Protestant church from the first was favorably inclined toward the revolution and though many of the people in the Protestant churches regret the executions carried out by Castro they believe them to be the lesser of two evils. If there had not been trials, there might have been mob law with many innocent persons as victims.

"The Cubans simply cannot understand America's present criticism of the executions, when there was complete silence on the part of America during the countless crimes of the Batista government.

"Cuba rejoices over the prospect of her new freedom and the Methodist church sees an unparalleled opportunity opening before it. There are now 9,310 members in the Methodist church with a constituency three times as large. There are 82 pastoral charges, 20 schools enrolling 4,690 students under Methodist auspices. The Methodist Church has set itself to the task of raising the level of education in this revolt-torn land. Candler College, our Methodist school in Havana has 1,000 boys in its elementary and high school grades.

"While Prime Minister Castro is a Catholic, the report is that he has been helpful and generous to the evangelical churchmen on the island. Any charge that his regime is communistic is without basis in fact, and should be challenged by all freedom-loving people and those dedicated to the overthrow of all human dictatorships. Fidel Castro, fearless and confident, has become the symbol of freedom to a people that for seven years lived under the fear of death and persecution. Americans, with their own heritage of freedom, won at great cost, should not find it difficult to understand the rejoicing of the Cuban people. Now is the time to help Castro and the Cuban people consolidate and make sure of the rights they have won."

Bishop Lord speaks at consecration of the new educational building at Old South Church, Reading. On the platform left to right are—the Rev. William Embridge, associate minister; the Rev. Willard C. Arnold, district superintendent; Bishop Lord; the Rev. Forrest White, conference youth director; and the Rev. John Snook, Jr., pastor.

Tribute Paid to the Rev. Thomas R. Burns

Tribute was paid to the Rev. Dr. Thomas R. Burns, retiring district superintendent of the Providence district of the New England Southern Conference, at the Haven Methodist Church, East Providence, R. I., on April 26 with representatives from more than 50 churches attending.

During the six years that Dr. Burns has presided over the district a $1,260,000 building program has been carried out. He was praised as a "True pastor and a fisher of men." Gifts of money were presented to him from ministers of his district and from the laymen.

Recommended to become local preachers were: George Roach of Providence, R. I.; Donald Reade of Hingham and Mrs. Doris Robinson of Holbrook. The Rev. Douglas Dorchester, representing the Conference Board of Education expressed appreciation for the work that has been done in that department.

The Rev. Jacke Harris led the devotions. Mrs. George Bates was organist. The Rev. Harold Frey, a native of Germany spoke on "The Christian in a Divided Country."

Dr. Hempstead Is Elected Head of Folklore Society

The Rev. Alfred G. Hempstead, retiring superintendent of the Augusta, Me., district has been elected president of the newly-formed Northeast Folklore Society.

He recalls that Alton Blackington, well-known New England writer and lecturer, referred to the National Blow Boy organization when he was broadcasting Yankee yarns from a New England station.

"Perhaps it was called the National Organ Pumpers Organization," Dr. Hempstead said in his letter.

"Members had to prove that they had been paid for blowing an organ by hand. To the best of my knowledge Lawrence Perkins, the pumper and blower at the Methodist Church of New Sharon (Me.) is the only current person I know that is eligible. I have wondered if you could dash off a comment on the subject and see what you get for other claimants."

Dr. Hempstead, you have got the editor doing some tall wondering about this very thing. It wasn't so many years ago that the organ pumpers were as common as tree leaves, but where are they now? Former organ pumpers step forward to be recognized.

Morgan Memorial to Observe 53rd Camping Season

Underprivileged Youngsters Work and Play at South Athol

"Man," exclaimed a nine-year-old girl after inspecting her summer home at Downey Camp, "this camp is the most." Not all of the Morgan Memorial's 416 campers at South Athol react to their new environment with such exuberance. Some express quiet satisfaction by their willingness to participate readily in all camp activities; in others their appreciation of camp is reflected in the excitement they express in the discovery of a grasshopper, salamander or bullfrog.

Ever since Miss Hanna Parker Kimball of South Athol responded to Dr. Edgar Helms's plea for a camp site fifty-three years ago the Morgan Memorial has been in the business of giving Boston's underprivileged children the opportunity to develop their interests in a rural atmosphere.

In 1906 Miss Kimball surrendered her South Athol farmhouse so that Mary Fagan, the institution's first

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Hungry Youngsters—Despite the many activities at Morgan Memorial Fresh Air Summer Camp at South Athol, the children are never too busy to eat. Last year some 416 youngsters recommended by 20 Greater Boston social agencies added one ton of weight to their sun-tanned bodies. Left to right—Barry Rodrigues, 3; Lorraine Gussen, 3; Kathleen Smith, 6; and Sharon Smith, 4.

ebt-Retirement Crusade aunched at Portsmouth

Meeting in the new church office in e recently-completed Parish House First Methodist Church, Portsouth, N. H., to go over final plans r a $60,000 Mortgage Retirement usade is the Executive Committee, aded by Joseph Eberle, Jr., Prossional direction for the crusade ll be given by the Reverend Charles . Welch, of the Fund Raising secon of the Division of National Misons of The Board of Missions of e Methodist Church.

The campaign will seek to raise a m of $60,000 over a three-year riod as a means of retiring more an half the present mortgage of 05,000 incurred through the recent ilding of a new parish house and ucational unit. It is planned that e balance of the mortgage, followg the three-year pledge period, will absorbed in the current budget of e church. The pastor is the Reverend anley M. Sprague.

Mr. Eberle, one of Portsmouth's ost prominent businessmen, and a voted member of First Methodist hurch, was the speaker during the orning worship service of May 17, which time he outlined the plans r the crusade. Presenting the point view of youth during the same rvice was Lawrence E. Weeman, a nior at the University of New ampshire, who is planning to enter e Methodist ministry following the mpletion of his studies. Publicity airman, Mrs. Richard Ayotte, was e speaker on May 24, and she repsented the point of view of the area rmed Services related personnel. rs. Ayotte is a legal secretary at the ease Air Force Base in Portsmouth nd wife of T/Sgt. Richard Ayotte. larence C. Sanborn, often referred as the "Mr. Methodist" of the . H., Annual Conference, a former y member of the General Conference nd retired Headmaster of Portsouth High School (formerly Headaster at Tilton School for Boys) ave the concluding lay address on ay 31, after which the campaign director, the Rev. Mr. Welch, preached n the two succeeding Sundays.

Also assisting on the executive ommittee are Alfred F. Mundy, chairan of the Board of Trustees and a orker at the Portsmouth Naval Shipard, Stanley I. Roberts, president f Methodist Men and head of the Electric Welding department at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, together with Lt. Comm. (Ret.) Waldemar Hermenau, co-chairman of the Building Committee, and James Millar, a banker, and chairman of the Commission on Stewardship and Finance, who is serving in an advisory capacity. Since the new building was put into full use last September, following its consecration by Bishop John Wesley Lord during the celebration of the church's Sesquicentennial last April, church school enrollment has passed the 300 mark. More than forty adults are regulary in attendance each Sunday in the three classes provided for those above High School age.

Committee raises money for debt-retirement crusade at Portsmouth, N. H. Left to right, seated—Alfred F. Mundy, visitation co-chairman; the Rev. Stanley M. Sprague, pastor; Joseph Eberle, Jr., general chairman; Mrs. Richard Ayotte, publicity chairman; Mrs. Joseph Eberle, Jr., executive secretary to the co-chairman. Standing—Stanley S. Roberts, visitation co-chairman. Absent when the picture was made was Lieutenant Commander Waldemar Hermenau.

Former ZH Editor Made Editor of Methodist History

The Rev. J. Tremayne Copplestone, has resigned as pastor of the Maple Street Methodist Church in Lynn to become editor of the History of Methodist Missions, a special appointment under the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church, with headquarters at 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

The History of Methodist Missions of which Mr. Copplestone will be editor and author, has been planned as a six-volume work covering the period from the beginning of the Methodist Church in America to the present time. Three volumes have already appeared under the editorship of Wade Crawford Barclay who recently resigned.

The Rev. Mr. Copplestone became the pastor of the Maple Street Church in 1955 succeeding the Rev. Ira J. Roberts, now superintendent of the Worcester district. Before coming to Lynn he served as editor of ZIONS HERALD. He was pastor of Copley Church in Boston for six years. Before coming to Boston he held pastorates in the New Hampshire Conference at Portsmouth, Keene, Suncook, Salem and Merrimacport, Mass.

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Higher Call

The Rev. J. Kirkwood Craig, 78, of Manchester, N. H., died May 12. A retired Methodist minister he had served in the ministry nearly 50 years. He was born in a log cabin in Missouri, April 13, 1881, the son of a Civil War veteran.

He was graduated from Upper Iowa University in 1909 and the Boston University School of Theology in 1912. The same year he married Gertrude Clark of Manchester. He is survived by her and by several nieces and nephews. He was ordained a deacon in 1910 and an elder in 1914 by the late Bishop John W. Hamilton of Portsmouth.

He served churches in Franklin, Londonderry, Milford, Littleton and Suncook. He trained in the school of chaplains in World War I and rose to the rank of captain. In the demobilization period he served as a troop train secretary for the YMCA and for six months was in the religious education department of the Interchurch World Service.

While doing graduate work at Boston University he served as a director of boys' work at a Boston community house. The M.R.E. degree was conferred on him in 1921. The next year he went to Minneapolis, Minn., as an educational superintendent and later became executive secretary of the Minneapolis council of religious education. In 1927 he went to Pittsburgh as executive secretary. He returned to the New Hampshire Conference in 1940 to become pastor in Franklin, N. H. After his retirement in 1950 he continued to serve the Bethany Chapel, Community Church at Goffs Falls and the Congregational Churches at Brentwood and Barnstead.

Funeral services were held May 5 at St. Paul's Methodist Church. Officiating were the Rev. J. Norman Barrett, superintendent of the southern district; the Rev. Edwin T. Cooke, executive secretary and treasurer of the New Hampshire Conference Preachers' Aid Society; and the Rev. Claude H. Voorheis, pastor of St. Paul's Methodist Church.

Delegations were present from the Manchester Ministerial Association; the New Hampshire Federation of Churches; Methodist ministers from the New Hampshire Conference; Meridian Masonic Lodge of Franklin and Ruth Chapter No. 16, OES.

Also present were Thomas Chadwick, of Chester, Vt., national patriotic instructor and Cleon E. Heald of Keene, past commander-in-chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War; members of the WCTU, the Interdenominational Prayer Group of Manchester and the Boylston Home were also represented.

"It's A Boy!" That's the way the bulletin board of the Central Methodist Church in Middleboro, Mass., read on April 23 when Timothy Hayden Emery, seven pounds one ounce was born. He is the fourth child of the Rev. and Mrs. George E. Emery. The other three children shown in the picture are, left to right—Lee, 7; Debbie, 6; and Buddy, 4.

Mrs. Robert W. Pope, newly-elected chairman of the Home Committee of the Home for Aged Methodist Women, shakes hands with Mrs. Ariel R. Wood, retired chairman (center), and Mrs. Warner C. Danforth, superintendent (right).

Around the punch bowl at the Mother's Day reception at the Home for Aged Methodist Women in Concord. Left to right—Mrs. Lee, Richard E. Lee, excutive director, and Mrs. John H. Newton, a member of the home committee. In the rear are Mrs. Webster, Mrs. Wood and Mrs. Pope.

Mother's Day Open House At Home for Aged Women

More than 300 visitors attended the Mother's Day open house at the Home for Aged Methodist Women in Concord, Mass., on Saturday afternoon, May 9, from 2 to 4 P. M. under the sponsorship of the New England Deaconess Association.

Visitors were greeted by Mrs. Robert W. Pope, newly-elected chairman of the Home Committee; Mrs. Ariel Wood, retired chairman; and Mrs. Warner C. Danforth, superintendent.

Other members of the Home Committee participating in the reception were: Mrs. Edwin S. Anderson, Mrs. George A. Clemow, Mrs. Charles E. Frizzell, Mrs. Albert V. Lynch, Mrs. John H. Newton, Mrs. Webster H. Powell, Mrs. Edson G. Waterhouse, Mrs. Henry W. Webster, and Mrs. Ariel R. Wood.

Also present were: Richard E. Lee, executive director, and Mrs. Lee; and officers of the New England Deaconess Association.

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DR. BULLOCK RETIRES

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has come from legacies. In the last eight years over $100,000.00 has been willed to this cause. Also many generous gifts from individuals and churches. The Memorial list in the Conference Minutes gives names of over 231 such benefactors.

As treasurer of the Board of Pensions Dr. Bullock has paid as pensions to the veterans themselves a total of $1,140,560.00 which came from apportionments and from the earnings of the Preachers' Aid Society. The rate of pension too has increased in the same period from $35.00 to $57.00 for each year of service rendered. There are still fourteen Conferences with higher rates with Philadelphia paying $64.00.

In closing his last report on Pensions affairs he said, "Beyond words has been the joy of being close to the many Veterans of the Cross, a noble army of men and women of God, most of them known to me in their active years, many of them influential leaders and all of them so loyal and appreciative. Caring for such people could never be a perfunctory duty." . . . With present plans aiming at a gradual entrance into Methodism's complete Reserve plan, he predicted still greater progress under his successor, Dr. D. Joseph Imler. "My earnest prayer is that to every minister and every church this holy endeavor will continue its growth, because it is what Bishop Lord once called 'the heart-throb of the Conference.' "

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FUTURE OF THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION

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and accomplish these goals in a dynamic community of theoretical and practical discipline.

Charles E. Taylor, Executive Secretary of the A.A.T.S., recently said: "It cannot be stressed too emphatically that the taking of occasional courses by men who to all intents and purposes are already *in* the ministry, is not the same as the education of heart and mind and will that normally takes place when Christian students preparing *for* the ministry meet each other in classroom, at the dining room table, in the study, and on the playground for the greater part of a sixteen-hour day. To permit the student to be a student is among the first major needs of theological education in this decade." This is, of course, what has been stressed for a long time at Boston University School of Theology. I am impressed to note how this intensive community experience in the refectory, library, chapel, and classroom with time for deep encounter is stressed in recent literature from major Eastern seminaries.

Another major problem or trend in the future of theological education will be the new encounter with *truth*. This may seem surprising. "Are we not now coming to grips with truth?" "Is not Christ the truth?" The point is that some major theological trends have for thirty years stressed the uniqueness of theology. Biblical theology was set over against philosophy. Witnessing to the faith was put in conflict with reason. The *truth* of Christianity was proclaimed in opposition to rival faiths. This movement had a valid point against a version of Christianity that accommodated it to dangerous cultural compromises. But it is not enough to affirm a theological position however sincerely it is held. The question of *truth* remains.

In the next decade the question of *truth* will be pressed in university circles because the scientific approach to truth tends to claim a monopoly status in intellectual and practical affairs. Science is a *universal* method applicable to every culture and equally impressive in Communist and non-Communist countries alike. But are our colleagues in the non-theological disciplines so confident about the truth of Christianity? I think they tend to take a relativist view of it. They see Christianity at work in non-Western cultures using methods of thought and promotion that are not readily verifiable in non-Western terms. So, both at home and abroad the Christian leader will be challenged to demonstrate the *truth* of his religion.

This focus on the question of *truth* will have a profound effect on the future of Christian theology. It will make the conversations between religion and science very lively; it will be a hallmark of the ecumenical encounter; and it will involve a worldwide struggle among rival faiths. In all these tensions there will be a need for deepening the faith of the minister. When ministers in training simply receive the faith, learn to identify it and are taught to proclaim it, there is always the danger of passing on a second-hand religion. But when the theological student has persisted to the point of being satisfied that his faith is not only good but true, he has a power of conviction in preaching, teaching, and counseling that is otherwise untapped.

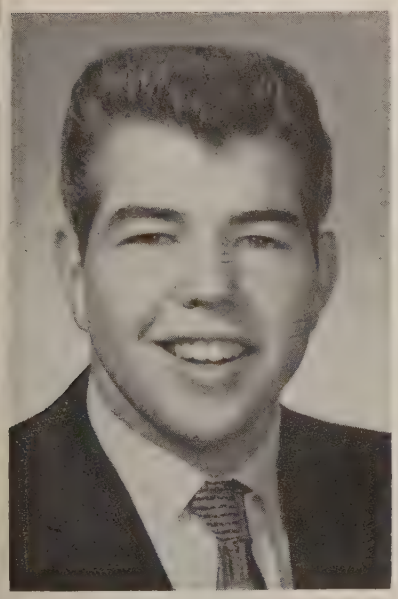
The third area of challenge in the future of theological education is the union of devotion and ethics. We need twentieth century saints. We need a deep synthesis of being and doing. Our theology has not been ethical enough and our ethics have not been devout enough. Much of recent theology has failed to make its ethics socially responsible. And much of our moral earnestness has lacked the quiet security of trust and renewal in the presence of God. There are signs of a growing concern for the witness of the Church through responsible service.

This means that the heart of worship there must be a rededication to a witness for Christ in the midst of controversy. In a recent study of Methodist thought and opinion it was disclosed that fifty percent of Methodists do not conceive of the church's role as witnessing in the social order. Neither do they consciously relate their theology to their social practices in business and politics. Morever, almost half our people think of a layman as a person who helps the minister do the work of the church. Such an attitude is essentially that of the layman in the Roman Catholic Church. It is not Protestant or fully evangelical.

Theological education must so prepare the theological student that he can communicate to the membership of the church the rationale and motivation which make of every member a minister. To do this requires an ever more deeply prepared theological student. Training in "know how" of boards and agencies will not do. Kits of how-to-do-it will not bring the power of redemption. In the self-searching that is now going on in theological seminaries there is an earnest desire to achieve *being* and the *doing* in a coherent assurance of *truth* and a creative saintliness which expresses itself in music, the arts, worship, theology, and ethics relevant for the age in which we live.

End

obert Taufa, a student at Boston University School of Theology from the onga Islands in the South Seas, was one of the preachers at a recent Inter- ational service held at Copley Methodist Church in Boston in which ten differ- t nationalities participated. The Rev. John David Erb, pastor of the Church, shown walking along Newbury Street with Mr. Taufa, prior to the commence- ent of the service.



on of Cambridge Minister Vins in Livestock Judging

Glenn D. Glazier, Jr., son of the ev. Glenn D. Glazier, pastor of Grace Iethodist Church, Cambridge, Mass., as top scorer in the Livestock udging Contest for the Future Farm- rs of America at the University of Massachusetts recently. A senior at the Norfolk County Agricultural School in Walpole, young Glazier is entering the University of Massachusetts this Fall specializing in animal husbandry.

Farewell Reception for Hull Pastor Draws 300

Representing all creeds, more than 300 persons attended a reception and testimonial dinner for the Rev. J. David Townsend, pastor of the Hull Methodist and Pope Memorial Churches in Hull. The affair was held at the Surf Ballroom, Sunday night, May 3, at Hull. Mr. Townsend's official retirement will be announced at the New England Southern Conference at Providence in June.

The Rev. James E. Sullivan, pastor of St. Mary's Church gave the invocation. The Rev. Thomas H. Burns, superintendent of the Providence district was the principal speaker.

Henry W. Verry was chairman of the committee and master of ceremonies.

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Summer, the season of planting and harvest, a time of out-of-doors recreation, is most of all a time for spiritual renewal. It is an opportunity for mankind to grow closer to his Maker. So, with all your vacation plans, don't take a vacation from God.

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MORGAN MEMORIAL OBSERVES 53RD CAMPING SEASON

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counselor, could bring 28 children of various ages to the country. Today the building that housed the first campers still stands as part of the camp infirmary. Around it the Morgan Memorial has built and gathered some thirty other buildings and 450 campers and counselors. Some of the nine camp units that cover the Morgan Memorial's 760 acres were built with the donation of a single benefactor; others such as Downey and Community Camps have been built as the result of the joint effort of the South Athol community and the Morgan Memorial.

Today the large Fresh Air Camp accommodates over 416 children ranging in age from 3 to 17 . . . all from the greater Boston area, children are referred to the Morgan Memorial by more than 30 Boston social agencies. From the many who are recommended 416 are selected for camp on the basis of their need and the probability of their benefiting from the camp experience.

As at most camps swimming heads the list of favorite activities, but it is closely followed by archery, pony riding and baseball. In addition to athletic activities the children frequently attend "Camp Be-Better" where they learn art and handicraft skills. A special project at Camp Be-Better this year is the construction of "nature mobiles," mobiles made with pine cones and sprays, bits of wood, etc. Each camp also gets a chance to produce a show for the rest of the campers; in these productions the children are encouraged to use their own imaginations under the direction of their counselors. Through these and other activities the Morgan Memorial seeks to develop all talents the children might have—athletic, poetic—a nine-year-old girl's poem, inspired by a turtle, was printed in the *Reader's Digest.*

For the older children the Morgan Memorial believes that responsibility is a major means of development. This year the thirteen- and fourteen-year-old girls at Wesley Camp will be enrolled in a counselor-in-training program on which they are given charge of small groups of nursery age children several times a week. The boys at Hayden Village, who range in age from 14 to 17, are given responsibility for many of the physical needs of the camp, such as taking care of the grounds and caulking and painting the camp boat, as well as repairing and repainting their own cabins.

The camps are not endowed but are supported mainly through small contributions by people who are interested in the experienced, imaginative program the camps offer Boston's underprivileged children for eight summer weeks.

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CAMPAIGN FOR $62,500 LAUNCHED

The Morgan Memorial is raising $62,500 to erect a new administration building at its Fresh Air Summer Camp at South Athol. The goal would match the same amount from the Charles Hayden Foundation and it is hoped that the building can be erected during the coming Summer months. The general chairman of the drive will be James L. Jenks, Jr., of Winchester. The new building will include library and conference room, dining room, administration offices, living facilities, and a central kitchen for several separate camps serving all ages. The new structure will increase camp efficiency and economy and will replace two farm buildings more than half a century old.

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When I was seven years old (1896) family hired a cottage for the summer in a different part of the Camp ound and in a diary I kept rather egularly, mentioned attending Sunday School and various other services, ling on among others Mrs. Child. as that your Aunt Lizzie? I remember her so well, perhaps because think I was a bit afraid of her! I ow I went into that cottage many nes.

You must have gotten much pleasure out of writing the Camp Ground story and hope it receives proper cognition.

If two stereoscope pictures I have in y possession would be of any use to e Anniversary Committee, I would glad to donate them. One is a side ew of the "Stand" at the Grove, owing a group of people and some the trees and benches. The other of a group standing in front of the entral M. E. Church, Lowell, tent. the style of dress I think the ctures were taken around 1880 or erhaps in the "80's." The photographer was J. S. Lefavour, Salem.

Hoping the Centennial events will very successful, I remain,

Sincerely yours,
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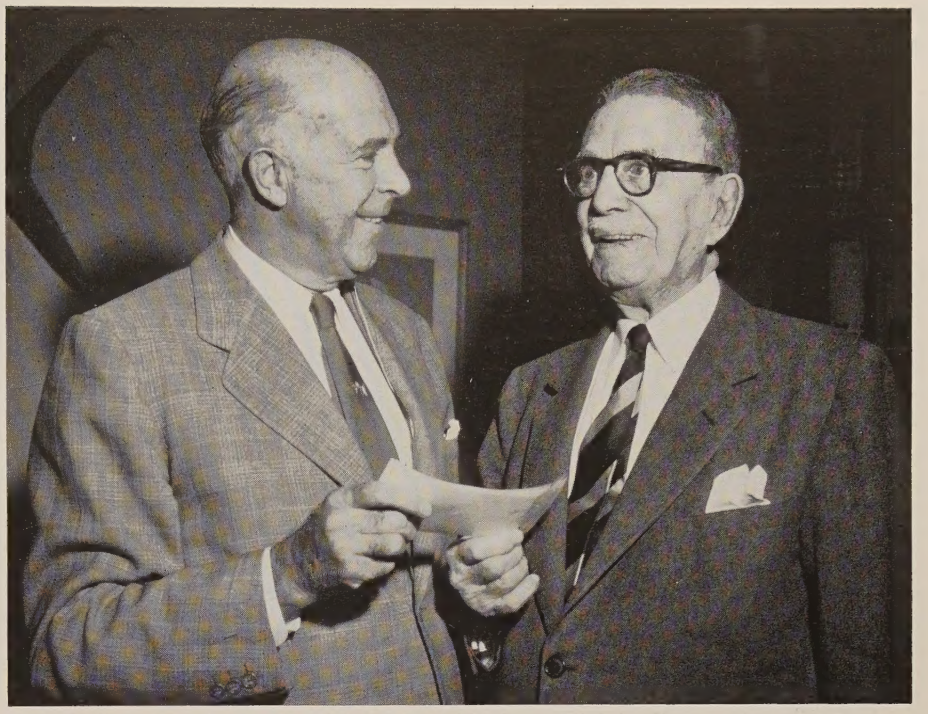

Ninety-six-year-old Methodist Bishop Herbert Welch of New York, formerly bishop of the Boston Area, recently became the beneficiary of three insurance policies on his own life. President Louis W. Dawson of New York, left, presented his company's check in full settlement.

Where age is not a secret. The adult class at Old South Methodist Church in Reading has an average age of 70 with some above the three score and ten mark. In the picture are Mrs. Ruth Johnson, Mrs. Margaret Wilkinson, Mrs. Bertha Rich, Mrs. Elvie Henderson, Mrs. Florence MacLeod, Mrs. Bertha Ferreira, Mrs. Edith Turner, Mrs. Ethel Brenton, Mrs. Ethel Carver, and Mrs. Helen Nichols.

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Dr. Charles A. Wells, journalist, editor and illustrator, and writer of one of America's most widely read newsletters will deliver a series of addresses on the theme; "The Christian Witness in an Age of Unlimited Power."

Dr. Ralph Stoody, executive director of the Commission on Public Relations and Methodist Information will give a course on the theme: "Public Relations for Churches."

Dr. G. Ray Jordan, professor of preaching and chapel preacher, Candler School of Theology, Emory University, Atlanta, Ga., will give a series of talks on: "Preaching During a Revolution."

New Wollaston Methodist Parish House Consecrated

The Rev. Guy H. Wayne, Boston District Superintendent, preached the sermon and led in the service of consecration for the new Wollaston Methodist Parish House on Sunday, April 19.

The services climaxed a three-year program of renovating the original sanctuary area into a chapel, church parlor, four spacious rooms and a corridor, at a cost of $36,000.

The new church parlor was constructed with funds from a bequest left by the Magnuson family, and it was furnished by the local Woman's Society of Christian Service.

The Minnie A. Lane Memorial Chapel has a seating capacity of 60 and it is equipped with a new Baldwin organ, lectern and all the new altar furnishings. The four classrooms were named after the Methodist sites and leaders as Aldersgate, Epworth, Jesse Lee and Asbury. A new room on the third floor has been named the Upper Room.

Participating in the consecration service were: Henry T. Moorehead, president of the trustees; Robert L. Blair, chairman of the Parish House Project Committee; Dr. Wayne, the Rev. James R. Duncan, pastor, and the Rev. Victor V. Sawyer, pastor emeritus. Mr. Sawyer gave the prayer of consecration.

Consecration of the new Wollaston Methodist Parish House. Participating in the services were, front, left to right—Lloyd R. Chorpenning, education assistant, and the Rev. Victor C. Sawyer, pastor emeritus; rear, left to right—the Rev. James R. Duncan, pastor; the Rev. Guy H. Wayne, Boston district superintendent; Henry T. Moorhead, president of the trustees; and Robert L. Blair, chairman of the parish house committee. (Courtesy Quincy Patriot-Ledger)

Farewell Reception for Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Imler

More than 2,000 attended the farewell reception to the Rev. Dr. D. Joseph and Mrs. Imler on May 6, marking the close of a 38-year pastorate at the Belmont (Mass.) Methodist Church.

Dr. Imler was appointed to succeed the retiring Dr. Maurice L. Bullock to the post of executive secretary of the Preachers' Aid Society, at the New England Conference.

A purse of $4,800 was presented to the beloved clergyman by Joseph Earl Perry, a charter member of the Belmont church. Bishop John Wesley Lord was one of the guest speakers. Others included: the Rev. Guy H. Wayne, superintendent of the Boston District; and J. Watson Flett, chairman of the board of selectmen.

Prior to the service Mrs. Arthur Gosnell, representing more than 40 charter members, presented Dr. and Mrs. Imler with a fireplace set. Stuart J. Dewey of Watertown was chairman of the committee.

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